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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: ICRC IN ANGOLA

REF: GENEVA 3254

1. HOCKE OF ICRC TOLD DEPTOFF MAY 7 THAT ICRC DELEGATION IN LUANDA HAS HAD NO REPLY TO ITS COMMUNICATION CONCERNING MERCENARIES (INCLUDING AMERICANS) HELD IN ANGOLA.
2. HOCKE HAD SEEN MAY 5 ARTICLE FROM LUANDA BY DAVID OTTAWAY (WASHINGTON POST) REPORTING THAT ANGOLAN AUTHORITIES PLAN TO PUT MERCENARIES ON TRIAL JUNE 8 BEFORE "PEOPLES REVOLUTIONARY TRIBUNAL," INSTEAD OF AN INTERNATIONAL JURY AS EARLIER ANNOUNCED. HOCKE SAID HE HAD RECEIVED SIMILAR REPORT FROM HIS MISSION IN LUANDA AND ASSUMED THIS WAS NOW THE PRA'S INTENTION.
3. HOCKE SAID HIS DELEGATION WOULD CONTINUE ITS EFFORTS ON BEHALF OF THE PRISONERS, BUT WAS NOT OPTIMISTIC THAT

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ICRC COULD ACCOMPLISH ANYTHING ON THEIR BEHALF. HE

CLARIFIED THAT THE WRITTEN APPEAL WHICH ICRC HAD SENT
TO PRA (REFTEL) WAS PRIMARILY AN EFFORT TO ARRANGE FOR
TRANSMITTAL OF FAMILY MESSAGE TO AND FROM THE
PRISONERS. AS NOTED ABOVE, ICRC HAS SO FAR RECEIVED
NO REPLY. ABRAMS

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